Husband Wife David FISHER Ir Mary Ann MCDONALD

BEAUTIFUL UPON THE MOUNTAINS





carly settlers of Wasatch County. David was born in Johnstone, Scotland, September 23, 1852, son of David Fisher Sr. and Martha McKay, He arrived in Salt Lake City on his eighth birthday in the Stoddard handcart company, with his parents, his sister Martha, and brothers, Andrew and Joseph.

His grandparents, Joseph and Martha Blair McKay, had previously arrived in Zion and were on hand to welcome their daughter Martha and her family, and to help them settle in the Tenth Ward of Salt Lake City, where they remained until the desire to obtain farming land for their growing sons brought them to Wasatch County, David Fisher Sr. and David Ir. took out homestead rights to adjoining tracts of land near the mouth of Daniel's Canyon. To obtain eash for developments, the family returned to Salt Lake City, in order that the father and oldest son might work on the Union Pacific Rallroad, Near Devils Gate in Weber Canyon, on August 11, 1868, the father was killed in a landslide. Thus, at 16 years of age, it was David Ir.'s lot to return his father's body for burial and to assume what he could of the family burdens.

The family returned to their homestead lands in Daniels Creek, and young David went to work for a prosperous farmer. John McDonald. There was more than food and raiment in this Job. Here he met Mary Ann. the vivacious daughter of John and Lucinda Cole McDonald, who was born November 17, 1857, in Springville, Utah, and had come to Heber Valley with her parents in March, 1860.

They were married October 19, 1874, in the old Endowment House in Salt Lake City. Mary Ann wrote in her autobiography: "This was a happy union—I think because we were penniless to start with,"

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Preparations for their first home, a room loghouse in the northeast part of ber City, had been made during the sumer. With money earned hauling wood to Salt Lake City, David purchased a bed, a small stove, three chairs, three plates, three cups and saucers, a dishpan, two flat-irons, and a tub and board. On another trip he bought a bolt of factory, from which Mary Ann made two sheets, two pairs of pillow cases, and a tick for straw. Her mother gave them two pillows and two quilts, Mary Ann wrote, "We thought we were really rich."

Later they decided that David would go to the new-found Ontario mine in Park City to work for needed cash, and Mary Ann would stay on at the homestead in Daniels Creek with their tiny daughter, Lucinda, Their second child, John, was born there.

When the homesteading was finished they established a home in Ontario Canyon, where David had become outside foreman of the Ontario mine. They remained there until 1893, when they brought their family back to Heber City and the new brick home they had erected. It stands at the corner of 124 East Fourth South St.

Returns from the mining claims David acquired made their declining years financially comfortable. From 1905 to 1913 he served as councilman on the Heber City town board, during which time the Heber City light and power plant was built. He died in March 1915 Widowed for 20 years, Mary Ann maintained her courage and her humor. She died March 7, 1935.

The family of David and Mary Ann McDonald Fisher included Martha Lucinda, born September 19, 1875, who married William Trevithick: John David, born October I, 1877, who married Maude Van Waggoner: James William, born December 7, 1880; George Andrew, born July 4, 1883, who married Annie McMillan; Florence, born October 10, 1886, who married A. Pratt Hicken: Donald Gail, born March 5, 1891, who married Luvernia Hards: Ila May, born December 30, 1893, who married Russell Le Maughan, and Craig Chambers, born gust 7, 1896, and married Mabel Alder.

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Home of David and Mary Ann McDonald Fisher. Erected in 1892, it still stands today as a monument to quality materials and proper workmanship. When built it had a hot air heating system and pressure water system.

company of 24 men under the direction of Captain Wall took three wagon loads of supplies and started for the Indian reservation. They also took about a hundred head of beef cattle to be given as a peace offering from President Brigham Young. They were instructed to have the Indians accept the cattle as a peace offering and end the war. However, if the Indians did not agree to peace, they were to give them the cattle anyway as indication of the good will of the Mormon people.

Joseph S. McDonald, a member of Captain Wall's party, recounted in later years the group's experiences:

"We arrived at the Indian Agency block houses on the west fork of the Duchesne River all right, and found two or three government men there, but very few Indians, mostly squaws. Black Hawk and his warriors were further south. An Indian runner was sent to tell him that Captain Wall and his men had brought a herd of cattle as a present from President Young with his best wishes, and that he hoped the Indians would accept them and make peace and all be good friends again.

"Chief Tabby, who had always been friendly and peaceable, had been persuaded by the other Indians that they had been greatly wronged and he told Captain Wall when he came into the Agency that he was mad and thought it would be good for blood to run, and that it was going to run when his Indians came in. He warned us to prepare for trouble.

"When Chief Tabby had said this, we went to work to prepare to